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1. The units which up to 30 September 1954, belong to the 95th Gds Rifle Div with its headquarters in St. Poelten (O 49/W 88) according to the statements made by a Soviet lieutenant, included the following: 233d Gun Arty Regt. [redacted] in Melk (O 49/W 68); the 344th How Arty Regt, [redacted] in Allentsteig (O 49/R 53), equipped with 122-mm howitzers and organized into nine batteries; the 997th AAA Bn in Allentsteig, which was scheduled to be transferred to St. Poelten; the 803d AT Bn; the 140th Sig Bn; and the 4th, 7th and 9th Rifle Regt. In late September 1951, the 9th Rifle Regt was employed along the demarcation line. *

2. The Soviet lieutenant further stated that the 17th Soviet Div was located in Szombathely (P 48/C 78) and a second division in Szekesfehervar (Q 48/Z 00). **

3. [redacted] an artillery officers' school, which was redesignated "AAA School" in 1951, was located in Toms, Siberia. ***

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Comment. The Soviet officer certainly referred to the 17th Gds Mecz Div, stationed in the northwestern portion of Hungary, with its division headquarters in Szombathely and the 2d Gds Mecz Div in central Hungary. To date, it has been believed that the units of this division were quartered in the area of Cegléd, Szolnok and Kecskemet. There have been no indications that components of the 2d Gds Mecz Div were stationed also west of the Danube River.

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Comment. An artillery school in Tomsk, west Siberia RD, was last mentioned in the Soviet press in the summer of 1947.

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